

**RUSHVILLE CITY UNSAFE HEARING BOARD**  
**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2004**  
**5:00 P.M.**

The Unsafe Hearing Board met on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Bridges called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m., with Chris Fields and Mike Pavey answering roll call. Toby Gilliam was not present. Also present were City Attorney, Julie Newhouse, and Scott Murray, WKWH.

**MINUTES \* \* \***

Minutes of the August 3, 2004 were presented for approval. Pavey made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Fields seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**MAYOR'S REPORT \* \* \***

None.

**CITIZEN CONCERNS \* \* \***

Denny Corn thanked the City for tearing down the house next door to him. He said it looks so much better.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS \* \* \***

**721 & 725 North Morgan Street** – Doug Morgan had not received his letter by certified mail. Clark spoke to him and informed him of the meeting and the problems. Morgan said he was not able to come to this meeting, but may be able to make the next one. He said he has exterminated and cleaned up the property some, but not completely.

Bridges read a letter from area neighbors, Ralph & Eileen Mitchell, with complaints about the property.

Bridges said Morgan has made it a practice of announcing the day of the meeting that he would not be able to attend. He said he checked the property and came away with fleas. He said Morgan cleans up a little and then it is back to the same old problems. Bridges said he is tired of messing around with Morgan.

Newhouse said we should send another letter to Morgan to attend a meeting.

Fields said since Morgan has failed to appear and he is not in compliance with the Board, he made a motion to send a letter to Morgan assessing a fine of \$20.00 per day until Morgan is in compliance and appears before the Board and that the property is uninhabitable until it has been approved by Clark and the Board. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS \* \* \***

**Healthy Neighborhood Program** – Bridges said he would like the Board to consider adopting the International Property Maintenance Code. He said he believed it would answer a lot of questions and take care of a lot of the problems the City is having. Bridges said it was much more thorough and clear. Pavey also encouraged the adoption of the code. Bridges will get copies for review.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Pavey made a motion to adjourn. Fields seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

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ROBERT M. BRIDGES, MAYOR

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CHRISTOPHER S. FIELDS, MEMBER

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TOBY GILLIAM, MEMBER

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MICHAEL P. PAVEY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

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ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER